President.—That is the fundamental thing. Otherwise even this right cannot be enforced.

Mr. I. E. Ambooken.—So, without assigning any reason at all, Government can stop the grant for the Manager?

President.—You must understand that Government would not act arbitrarily. They will have to use their discretion in the soundest manner possible.

Ruined culverts in the Poyya road.

657. **Mr. I. E. Ambooken.**—Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have not come to know that the two culverts in the Poyya-Mala road are in a very bad condition so that collapse may be apprehended in the near future?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—Yes. The culvert at 1/8 will be reconstructed this year and the reconstruction of the other at 2/2 will be provided for in the next year's budget.

Road from Amballur to Chalakkudi Railway station.

658. **Mr. I. E. Ambooken.**—Will the Government be pleased to state how for they have taken steps in the matter of opening a new road from Chalakkudi to Amballur through Parayanthodu and when will they be able to begin the work of the same?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—The matter is being enquired into by the Chief Engineer.

Mr. I. E. Ambooken.—In this question I have only to correct a name. The name is Annallur.

President.—By whom was the mistake committed?

Mr. T. K. Krishna Menon.—I shall see.

Recovery of certain amounts due under Scientific Department.

659. **Mr. A. B. Salem.**—Will the Government be further pleased to state whether the reduction under Scientific Department—(a)-Industrial Museum Rs. 5,226 has been recovered, as agreed to by the Government in the Proceedings of the Diwan, C. No. 2203/1103, dated 13th August 1928?

Mr. K. Krishna Pisharodi.—Not recovered. Government have also not agreed in the Proceedings under reference to recover the amount. They have only accepted the cut in the budget of 1104. The matter is being considered by the Government.

Mr. A. B. Salem.—Sir, may I know whether the cut was not accepted?

President.—They have only accepted it in the budget of 1104.

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Mr. A. B. Salem.—If the cut was accepted, has not the Government agreed to it?

President.—Accepting the cut is agreeing to it.

Mr. A. B. Salem.—Then why has not the Government recovered the money?

President.—That is a wrong acceptance. The matter will be brought before the Council again for setting matters right. We will have to face that question in the next Budget Session.

Kodakara-Vallikulangara Road.

660. **Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.**—Will the Government be pleased to state what action they have taken regarding the further working of the Kodakara-Vallikulangara road?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—The estimate is being got ready for proceeding with the work.

Sub-Inspectors stationed in one and the same place.

661. **Dr. A. R. Menon.**—Will the Government be pleased to state the names of the Sub-Inspectors stationed in one and the same locality for more than 3 years?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—(1) Mr. Innocent Pappali.
(2) Mr. B. V. Thomas.
(3) Mr. P. Rama Pisharodi.

Dr. A. R. Menon.—Is it the custom to retain the same Police Officer for more than three years in one and the same locality? Is there any rule for guidance?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—There is no special rule or regulation.

Dr. A. R. Menon.—Is it customary? Generally is it not a fact that the officers are removed after a certain period from place to place?

President.—Is there any unwritten rule?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—Generally they are being transferred and all these Sub-Inspectors are under orders of transfer now.

President.—That is another matter.

Appointment of Mr. George as Sub-Inspector.

662. **Dr. A. R. Menon.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) is it a fact that Head constable No. 218, Mr. George, was appointed to act as Sub-Inspector, ignoring the claims of Mr. P. Madhava Menon, Station House Officer, Ernakulam;

(2) is it not a fact that Mr. P. Madhava Menon already acted as a Sub-Inspector;

(3) if the answers are in the affirmative, kindly state the reasons for preferring Mr. George's claims for the post?

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